

Judge of other men by yourself.
 Command your temper and countenance.
 Seem friendly to enemies.
 Never see an affront, if you can help it.
 Avoid wrangling.

Judge not of mankind rashly.
 Fall in with the humour of men.
 Trust not too implicitly to any.
 Beware of proffered friendship.
 Doubt him who swears to the truth of a thing.
 Make no riotous attachments.¹

"If thou make digression go not so farre wandring
 But that thou may to purpose by light returne agayne,
 Least some in derision warne thee in wordes playne,
 Saying, syr consider it draweth fast to night
 At last drawe to purpose, returne while it is light."²

"Talk not long together
 Tell no stories
 Use no hackneyed expressions.
 Make no digressions
 Hold no one by the button, when talking.
 Punch no one in conversation.
 Tire no man with your talk.
 Engross not the conversation.

1. Galateo, p 256.

2. Mirrour of Good Manners, p 78.